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THIS NUMBER

On January 1, the date this number was scheduled to go to press, the Association found itself in its usual midwinter situation, namely, with a busted treasury. Though it has more members than ever before, and despite the welcome fact of $750.00 turned over by the New Haven Convention Committee; income has not kept pace with expense. Two reasons may be advanced. First, some of the indebtedness left over from previous years has been paid off. Second, the average size of YANKEE DOINGS has been larger this year—more pages—due to the rapid growth of Chapters and the accumulation of local news from each. In other words, your Association has persisted in its policy of giving its members really more than it could afford. This might be criticized as unsound business policy, and perhaps it is. But the editors of DOINGS have made a spoiled child of the readers, have led them to expect between 24 and 40 pages each month, to the point where they would look upon an issue of 12 or 16 pages as a sign of falling down.

In contrast one might cite the publication of the Second Division, one of the leading combat divisions of the A.E.F. It consists of a single folder of four pages, and over half of that is set up in large type display announcements.

Mistake or not, there is one thing to be said for DOINGS' policy of giving all it can and a little more. It offers living, tangible proof of the fact that the larger the organization grows, the more each member is bound to receive for his dues. If

we had 5000 members, there would be no deficit—the magazine would be at least 36 pages every month, and yet each man would pay no more than he does now.

Your officers are giving every ounce of their energy to accomplish this end, or at least to come nearer to it. Meanwhile, we must beg the indulgence of those who are holding the front line, the loyal 2000 members. Accept a smaller magazine for a few months without losing faith, for the sake of the greater goal we are striving for.

You will find this issue an innovation, something new in the history of YANKEE DOINGS. Every piece of news has been "cut to the bone." Whole pages have been boiled down to a short paragraph. The Editor extends his sincerest personal apologies to the splendid correspondents in the field, who labored earnestly to present a graphic, detailed picture of their local activities, and who find only a few brief sentences. Do not feel that we took this step without heartbreaking misgivings: it hurt to do it. But just because the United States can live beyond its means indefinitely is no sign the Y.D.V.A. can. As these very words are written, we do not know where the cash is coming from to pay for printing them; but we STILL HAVE FAITH IN THE YD, and DOINGS MUST GO ON.

—PHILIP N. SANBORN (M)
Editor.

MEMBERSHIP STANDING OF CHAPTERS

The following table gives the paid-up membership of the Chapters of the Y.D.V.A., as of the last available date, January 13, 1936. It is interesting to note that, including those new members who are pre-paid to April 1, 1937, and who, although not counted in the "to 1936" totals, are nevertheless members in good standing to-day, under the arrangement which provides three months gift membership,—the grand total is the HIGHEST IN THE HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION!

MAINE	
Portland	11
Waterville	3
NEW HAMPSHIRE	
Concord	12
Keene	21
Manchester	41
Nashua	9
VERMONT	
Rutland	12
MASSACHUSETTS	
Boston	322
Brockton	20
Holyoke	17
Lynn	94
New Bedford	34
Springfield	29
Worcester	36
RHODE ISLAND	
State Chap.	57
CONNECTICUT	
Bridgeport	48
Bristol	50
Hartford	91
Manchester	27
Meriden	22
Middletown	19
New Britain	47
New Haven	102
New Milford	8
Norwalk	39
Stamford	33
Terryville	17
Valley Chap.	21
Waterford	13
Waterbury	36
OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND	
Chicago	38
Los Angeles	24
Washington	33
TOTALS (In Chapters)	
Maine	14
New Hampshire	83
Vermont	12
Massachusetts	551
Rhode Island	57
Connecticut	573
Outside New England	95
TOTAL	1386
Members At Large	615
TOTAL	2001

In addition to the above, the following figures show advance, pre-paid, membership for the year 1936-37:

NEW HAMPSHIRE	
Manchester	2
MASSACHUSETTS	
Lowell	49
Worcester	4
Plymouth	9
Holyoke	1
CONNECTICUT	
Willimantic	11
Meriden	2
Stamford	3
Norwich	4
Middletown	4
Valley	1
Norwalk	4
Waterbury	5
NEW YORK CITY	12
TOTAL	111

These figures do not include those who are in the first table and who have *renewed* to 1937; but only *new* members to 1937. In other words there is no duplication. Adding the two totals together shows 2112 active members of the mailing list, not including Life Members, Subscribers (non-YD), and free list.

MISSING

Since May 10, 1934.

JOHN JENOLIS, formerly lived in Holliston, Mass. Description; blue eyes, light brown hair, height about 5-3. Age 45.

Served overseas with Co. A. and Co. E., 104th Infantry.

Any news of his present whereabouts would be appreciated by his sister, Mrs. Stephen Pentkowski, 528 Medford St., Charlestown, Mass.

THE WORCESTER CONVENTION NEXT JUNE

The Worcester YD National Convention Committee is now forging ahead under a full head of steam. Gone are any misgivings, born of a somewhat slow start, that JOE GAUTHIER's (M) crew of able seamen might not "get to perkin'" in time to put over the Big Show in the "manner to which we are accustomed." Worcester is going to top New Haven and all the rest, and just because DOINGS hasn't the space to spread it all over three or four pages, don't let yourself harbor any doubts.

A flying squadron from Worcester is making visits to all Chapters, telling the story and signing up registrations. The dates are June 26, 27 and 28. Be on hand for the time of your life.

And, PLEASE, REGISTER NOW! You have no idea how much it will help the Convention Committee if you will only register NOW! You know darn well you're going to be there; you know darn well you're going to register. Advance registration is only $1.50. And it's just as easy to cough up $1.50 to-day as it will be to cough up $2.00 next June. Don't let the old habit of procrastination hamper the efforts of these fellas that are bending their backs to put on a great show for you. Write to TED NOYES (M), Secretary of the Convention Comm., Hotel Bancroft, Worcester, for a registration blank. Show 'em some co-operation.

Following is a list of the Officers and Directors of the Corporation; officers of the Convention Committee; and Chairmen of sub-committees:

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And if THAT bunch of hustlers can't put on a show, show us a bunch who can! All communications should be addressed to Sec. EDWIN J. NOYES (M), Reunion Hdqtrs., Hotel Bancroft, Worcester.

The Convention Committee has a complete list of all YD Chapters, and is sending a monthly bulletin, as well as the monthly release for YANKEE DOINGS, and are, in addition, as stated above, paying personal visits to all Chapters on meeting nights. Later it is planned to include all New England Legion and V.F.W. Posts on the mailing list, if finances permit.

In subsequent issues, between now and June, YANKEE DOINGS will print a registration blank, and will enclose an automobile sticker.

You should get a load of the stationery which the Convention Committee is using. Hot stuff!

Already the little announcement which is appearing monthly in the Legion Monthly has brought TED NOYES (M) an inquiry from EDWIN W. SOLLER (101st Amb. Co.) of Lafayette, Indiana, who INTENDS TO BE ON HAND.

DO THOU LIKEWISE! More later.

FATHER AND SON BOTH IN YANKEE DIVISION

EDITOR OF YANKEE DOINGS:

My father and I served in France with the 26th Division, and were both wounded. I am a member of Waterbury Chapter, Y.D.V.A., and believe I am also eligible to belong to the Sons of the YD. My father's name was MCINTYRE LILLY, formerly of G Company, 102nd Infantry, who died at the age of 72 years, on August 21, 1934. I will be 42 years old next March 29.

—WILLIAM J. LILLY (M)
(Med. Det., 102nd Inf.)

Milford, Conn.
December 3.

AMERICANISM BULLETIN

By ROYAL K. HAYES (M)

Director of Americanism, Y.D.V.A.

We who live in the United States can take one of three courses of action. We can sit back like a lot of spineless jellyfish and watch democracy go on the rocks. Or we can live our lives in the good old hedonistic manner and say, "farewell to Broadway and Main Street", and leave the mess of pottage to the criminals and Communists. Or we can face facts and hit the line with high-powered American Action. Many of us choose to remain in the United States and fight for God and Country. Let us resolve to chase the rats back to their sewers and give the United States back to the American people.

Career Men

A man who requests that his diseased appendix be removed by a blacksmith rather than by a surgeon, is either a fool or a madman. Voters who elect morons and chiselers to public office deserve to get taken for a ride by a gang of pocket-picking politicians. Career men must be protected by a Civil Service System that works in spite of politicians. Career men should be trained to handle city, state and government jobs for the best interests of the people. When a man pays $10,000 to get elected to a $2,000 a year job then there is fire back of the smoke.

National Defense

National defense is to the nation what the police force is to the city. All foreign diplomats are not friends of the United States. A well nation is like a strong man able to defend his rights in society.

Universal Conscription

In spite of the international bankers and war profiteers we still believe that a dollar a day is not enough pay for soldiers who lived in rat and cootie infested trenches in France. Why should civilian slackers who stayed 3000 miles from the trenches receive a bonus for fighting for dear old Wall Street? Or must "dollar a year" munitions salesmen be given a break by the dear public? The lads must have their yachts. The robber barons must be paid in cold cash.

General Finger Printing

All men who served during the World War have their finger prints on file at Washington, D. C. We believe in every person in the United States having his and her finger prints on file at Washington. Science and common sense are enemies of crime.

Identification Cards

It is customary for a person belonging to a club to obey the house rules. Club members are given an identification card of membership. All persons living in the United States should carry an identification card as one now carries an American passport when traveling abroad. Society should have sense enough to protect itself from public enemies.

Deportation of Aliens

The United States is no longer a free lunch counter for hungry aliens. Men and women should be citizens in the country in which they earn their living. The best way to teach is by example. Our job today is to go in for some good old-fashioned house-cleaning in the United States. Theories never won a war, ended a depression, or prevented crime.

Veterans are realists, and they have the guts to face the facts of a given situation. Our country is in a terrible mess of affairs at home and abroad. Europe and Asia are making everything possible for the return to another Dark Age. Men are stupid and selfish creatures, part of the time. On rare occasions men and women show signs of courage and intelligence. Comrades, the future of your country is in your hands. You can make it by your indifference, the playground for criminals Communists, or else you can leave as your most priceless legacy to your children, a great nation of law and order. Civilizations like individuals are born to die. But proper treatment plus common sense may keep our nation functioning another 300 years.

OUR MARCH NUMBER

The March number of YANKEE DOINGS is to be known as an "All-New England Number". As explained in a bulletin, sent to every Chapter, we hope to have pages of advertising from every city and town where a YD Chapter exists. The Chapters are to share 50/50 in the profits of this venture. How it will succeed depends wholly on the initiative shown by the individual chapters.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The holidays are over and a new year is ahead. The year that is to tell us whether the past year's substantial increase in YD'ers was just a flash in the pan, or whether we are going forward to our goal of 5,000 members by Convention time. If we are to be successful it will be because the Chapter officers have given the quality of leadership that inspires organizations to strive to attain great heights. Your president is confident that the great majority of our members are looking eagerly for this inspiration-looking for the enthusiastic orders of their leaders to "Step on the gas." All they need is leadership. Give it to them, or get out and let someone else take over the task.

Your president and your national officers are working hard in your interest. You, as chapter officers or members, should do not less. In December your national president traveled close to 3,000 miles for Y.D.V.A. We lost some sleep but had a whale of a time. We enjoyed every moment of our contact with our YD comrades.

Chapter presidents should map out their membership campaigns without delay. Remember the bargain rate—15 months for two bucks—is in effect. Fifteen months of YANKEE DOINGS. Fifteen months of Y.D.V.A. service—all for two dollars. Campaigns should include the re-ups—get your present membership on the line 100 percent. Remember there is a cup for the Chapter showing the largest percentage of increase.

A properly directed membership campaign should make your community "YD conscious." And while you have the town that way take advantage of the opportunity to make some money for yourself and for national headquarters. Sell space in the "All-New England" number of DOINGS. You can cash in to the extent of 50 per cent of the space you sell. It is worth while.

In December your president's itinerary included: 13 evening engagements in 5 states.

The calendar for January already includes: Jan. 9, New Haven chapter "German Night"; Jan. 12, Middletown, Conn. State department and national executive committee joint meeting; Jan. 14, Chicago, Ill., annual visit; Jan 17, New Milford, Conn., annual visit; Jan. 19, Willimantic, Conn. installation of officers; Jan. 22, Bridgeport, Conn., annual visit; Jan. 25, Springfield, Mass., annual visit; Jan. 28, Holyoke, Mass., annual visit; Jan. 30, Nashua, N. H., annual visit.

—L. J. M. (M)

ANOTHER YOUNGSTER

JOHN J. GRAY (M) of Lowell, Mass., writes that he was born on June 1, 1900, and is the youngest member of Lowell Chapter.

ONE IN DISSENT

I have always enjoyed YANKEE DOINGS and have never written anything to you except commendation, with one exception.

What I am coming to is this. The department of Americanism is surely not going to find us all agreed. I wish to say that I knew ROYAL K. HAYES (M) during the war, being for a time in the same outfit with him. I have talked with him since then and still like him. We cannot always agree though. In the last issue of DOINGS, HAYES speaks of Democracy and Freedom and then proceeds to tell us to support the "Teacher's Oath Bill", when some of us might have the opinion that these were contradictory statements.

Let's keep YANKEE DOINGS a YD family paper and leave the Social and Economic questions to other publications and places. The American Legion surely has tried to delve in these fields without too much success. (I also am an A.L. member). I for one do not care to be 100% American if it means "love yourself and hate everyone else". Just to ease Royal's mind, I am not a Communist.

And in closing I wish to commend you as I have done before on your editorials. I hope I have made myself plain. Just keep YANKEE DOINGS a good "newsy" family magazine and I for one will be satisfied.

—MERRITT F. GARLAND (M)

Haverhill, Mass.
December 9.

FOOTSTONE TO BE PLACED ON GENERAL EDWARDS GRAVE BY AMERICAN WAR MOTHERS

Largely due to the activity of Mrs. C. G. Francis, former President of the YD Auxiliary, and Secretary of Massachusetts Chapter, American World War Mothers, a footstone will soon be placed on the grave of the late General CLARENCE R. EDWARDS in Arlington National Cemetery.

This stone, which is to lie flat on the ground, is similar in design to the two which already thus mark the graves of Mrs. Edwards and Miss Bessie Edwards; will in no way conflict with the erection of a larger and more pretentious memorial, when and if such action becomes feasible.

Alone and single handed, Mrs. Francis coped with the War Department authorities and obtained their permission to have this stone placed. The American World War Mothers in financing the cost, and the project has the official approval of General COLE (LM) as Chairman of the General Edwards Grave Memorial Committee and of the YD Veteran Association by vote of its Executive Committee. The YD Club of Washington and Clarence R. Edwards Post, V.F.W. are to assist in the ceremonies of unveiling on February 2, which will be recounted in YANKEE DOINGS.

IN THE YD LIMELIGHT

General JAMES A. HAGGERTY (M), President of the YD Club of New Haven, present C.O. of the 85th Inf. Brig., C.N.G., who will be tendered a testimonial dinner at the Garde Hotel, New Haven, on February 15, by N.G. officers and veteran friends.

Mrs. J. GEORGE HUGO, widow of the C.O. of the 102nd. Med. Det., who, on January 5 was presented the first Memorial Scroll which the J. George Hugo Association (Med. Det., 102nd Inf.) plans to give the families of deceased members. Presentation was made by ROBERT REYBURN (M) of Bridgeport, President of the Ass'n.

Capt. WILFORD S. ALEXANDER (103rd Inf.), P.D.C., Dep't. of Conn., A.L., who has resigned Presidency of Puritan Bank & Trust Co., Meriden, Conn.

Col. JOSEPH P. NOLAN (M) (101st M.G. Bn.), elected president of Welfare Commission, Hartford.

Col. HARRY B. BISSELL (M) and Major MIKE OWEN attended the annual pow-wow on January 1, of the International Exiles, formed in Paris way back in the days of the guerre. Capt. WILLIAM J. MAXWELL (F Co., 102nd Inf.), managing editor of the *Hartford Times*, was initiated. The ceremony was at Hotel Garde, Hartford.

Col. MIKE CONNORS (M) (102nd Inf.), Conn. Comm. of Motor Vehicles is heading a drive against dangerous driving.

Col. DUNCAN K. MAJOR, former C. of S., 26th Div., who was proposed for the rank of Brigadier General on December 24.

Patrolman CHARLES BURRILL of the Lynn police department, and HAROLD D. DALTON of no place in particular, both of whom served in the 102nd Field Artillery, and who were reunited for the first time when Burrill drove Dalton to the hospital in an ambulance after the latter had been critically burned when a match flame ignited his oil soaked clothing as he wandered in the Lynn city dump. Dalton died as the result of burns.

Colonel "HIKIN' HIRAM" BEARSS, former C.O. of the 102nd Infantry, who, according to "Foreign Service", the official publication of the V.F.W., possesses both the D.S.C. and D.S.M., the former for front-line gallantry at Marcheville, the latter for leadership of the 102nd Inf.

DAN T. ADAMS (M) (103rd Inf.), undertaker and funeral director of Farmington, Maine, who has been awarded by the Royal Rubber Co. of Akron, Ohio, first prize out of 39 in a nation-wide contest in which 6000 participated, for the best technical paper on embalming.

BILL MCGINNIS (102nd F.A.), Past National President of the YD Veterans Association (1928-29); Past Department Commander, American Legion, Department of Massachusetts, is seriously ill at the Chelsea Soldiers Home Hospital where he has been for many months. Try to drop in and see him, or at least drop him a line.

YD JUNIORS IN NOVEL CHRISTMAS PARTY

'Twas the week to a night before Christmas
And all through the Club House;
Not a creature could stir
Not even a mouse.

So crowded was the YD Club hall on the evening of Dec. 18, that the above verse would be appropriate. On that evening the third annual Christmas Party of the YD Junior Bugle and Drum Corps, their parents and invited guests, some 200 strong, was the occasion to hang the S.R.O. sign on the hall door.

A huge Christmas tree, presented by Comrade DEVLIN of the Signal Corps for the children of members of that outfit and graciously loaned to the YD Juniors, was gayly festooned with lights and decorations arranged by BILL RILEY (M) and MARTY TAYLOR (M).

An excellent program of entertainment by the pupils of Miss Esther M. Dolan's Dramatic and Dancing School, opened the festivities at 8 o'clock.

At the conclusion of the performance OWEN TREAT as Santa Claus, in a deviation from the time-honored conception of that personage, aided by FRANK MARR (M) and JOHNNY BERGIN (M), presented beautiful engraved silver rings, emblematic of the N. E. Junior Champion for bugle corps, won by the YD Juniors in open competition the past season, to each of the 66 members of the corps.

Each child also received a bag of candy, followed by ice cream and cake to all in the hall, this delicacy was donated by Mayor Hagan of Somerville. Speeches were made by JIM WOODS, Instructor Cassano, JIM CHRISTIE (M). Each of the Juniors was asked to write DICK WHITE, the organizer and manager of the corps, a Christmas card to the Chelsea Naval Hospital.

The committee in charge of the party were Comrades MARR (M), CHRISTIE (M), TREAT, VOCELL (M), WOODS (M) and MOONEY (M), assisted by the Mrs. Christie, Bergin, Treat, Hubbard and Frazer.

—M. J. M. (M)

"WHAT OUTFIT, BUDDY?

JOHN F. CREAMER (M), whose address is c/o Wheels, Inc., 11th Ave., at 54th St., New York, would like to obtain a copy of "What Outfit, Buddy?" by T. HOWARD KELLY, published by Harper Bros. Has any reader of DOINGS a copy he would part with—and for how much?

YD IN LEGION AND V.F.W. AFFAIRS

YD POST 290, A.L., BOSTON

The regular monthly meeting of the Yankee Division Post No. 290, American Legion, was held December 9th, 34 members being present.

Welfare Officer HALFENSTINE (M) reported that 16 Thanksgiving baskets had been distributed by the Post.

Comrade SIMMONS (M) stated that the Sons of the Legion had paraded in public on three occasions and would be glad to co-operate with the Post in any manner possible.

The Post's Suffolk County officer read a lengthy and instructive report on the activities of that body, stressing the meeting to be held by the Child Welfare Committee of Suffolk County on the evening of December 30 at the YD Club.

Commander RILEY (M) spoke touchingly on the death of Comrade JOHN WALSH and thanked the members of the Post, Bugle Corps and Sons of the Legion in the splendid tribute they rendered the departed and beloved comrade by turning out at the funeral and being present at the services in St. Peter's Church.

Commander RILEY (M) spoke on the Post's Annual Military Ball and asked the members to serve on the committee. Fourteen members responded to this request.

The regular meeting of the YD Post No. 290, American Legion, was held Monday evening, Dec. 23, twenty-seven members being present.

Comrade HALFENSTINE (M) asked for donations of clothing and advised members that 19 baskets were to be distributed for Christmas.

Comrade SIMMONS (M) presented the Post with $38.00 which represented the profit from the Beano Party that the Sons of the Legion conducted for the benefit of the Post.

P. C. SOUSA reported that the annual Military Ball of the Post would be held on Feb. 7 at the Kenmore Hotel, tickets one dollar a person. The Post will be honored with the presence of National Commander Murphy of the American Legion as well as other distinguished guests that evening.

Comrade NEWMAN (M) referred to a book containing all the laws to veterans and advised the Post to buy one. On a motion of P. C. SOUSA, seconded by Comrade THOMAS (M) the Post will purchase this book.

—M. J. M. (M)

CLARENCE R. EDWARDS POST, V.F.W., WASHINGTON, D.C.

See elsewhere for account of joint services with YD Club of Washington.

This Post won all three prizes awarded by the Department in connection with its Armistice Ball. The Post itself won the prize for the post selling most advertising; also the prize for the post selling most tickets. And NATE GOLDEN (M) won the prize for the man selling most advertising. Nate generously donated his personal prize to the color fund.

The Chairman of the Ball Committee was a YD man, DAVE HERMAN (M), and his able assistant another YD man, JOHN CASWELL (M). Pretty much a YD success all around.

—L. W. S. (M)

YD POST NO. 130, AMERICAN LEGION, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

The New Haven YD Post of the Legion sends New Year's greeting to its sister post at Boston, YD Post No. 290.

At the meeting of December 18, the post contributed $5 toward the Carroll Swan Memorial Fund. Personal contributions from Comrade FRANK RIVERS (M), MIKE MCDERMOTT (M), JOE CARUSI (M), JACK DE MAYO (M), G. POPOLIZIO boosted the amount to $9. This was forwarded to RALPH EASTMAN (M).

The post followed the lead of the New Haven Chapter, Y.D.V.A., and voted unanimously to urge the newly appointed U. S. Marshal, Bernard Fitch, to retain Comrade JOHN M. PARK (M) as deputy marshal.

The post Christmas party was held on Saturday, December 21st, with 125 youngsters present. Prolific, eh what? RAY KENNEY (M) was chairman. Thirty Christmas baskets were distributed on Christmas Eve by a committee headed by Post Commander MCDERMOTT (M).

—L. J. M. (M)

UNIT 290, YD LEGION AUXILIARY

A bridge and whist party will be held at the home of the past president, Mrs. John Collins, 381 Pond Ave., Brookline, on January 18th.

The installation of the officers, of YD auxiliary A.L. 290 was held at the club devkelder, on the night of Nov. 20. Our new president, Mrs. Bertha Kenny, made a grand speech. After the eats and installation, a good time was had by all.

The first meeting with the new officers presiding, was held at the YD Club, December 5th. It was largely attended. The ladies voted to hold a rummage sale the last week in December, which was a great success.

The auxiliary helped a lot in making the YD ball at the Copley Plaza a success. They were all very charming, especially our past president, Mrs. Claire Poulton.

—MRS. RUTH E. TOMPKINS

CONGRATULATIONS

To JIMMY CONNORS (F Co., 101st Engrs.) and Mrs. Connors, on the arrival, on January 7, of twins; boy and girl. This gives Jimmy a full squad, one rank girls, one rank boys.

To EDWARD J. SHANAHAN (Hq. Co., 104th Inf.) and Mrs. Shanahan, who announce the arrival of a boy.

TAPS

During December, Death laid a hand on another outstanding figure of the Yankee Division, Colonel WILLIAM H. DOLAN of Fitchburg, formerly attached to 26th Division Headquarters, who passed away at his home on December 16 after a long illness. The funeral, on Thursday, December 19, when solemn high mass was celebrated at St. Bernard's Church at 10.00 o'clock, saw one of the largest outpourings of grief stricken friends in the history of Fitchburg. Mass was celebrated by the Reverend Francis J. Carroll. Lieutenant General EDWARD L. LOGAN (M) and Major HENRY H. WHEELOCK (M) (101st Sup. Tr.) were among the honorary pall bearers. Acting Mayor WILLIAM L. MCBRIDE (M) (101st F. Sig. Bn.) represented the city of Fitchburg. The active bearers were all employees of the Jennison Company, of which Colonel DOLAN had been president and general manager for many years. Among prominent YD men present were two former National Presidents of the YD Veterans Association, of which Col. DOLAN had been a member every year since 1920, namely, Col. CHARLES A. STEVENS (LM) of Lowell, and Col. WILLIAM J. BLAKE (M), also Gen. JOHN D. MURPHY (M); Col. WARREN E. SWEETSER (M), Major ALBERT M. CROCKETT, Major MICHAEL J. DEE (M), Captain JOHN DOLAN (M) of Concord, and Sgt. FRANCIS A. SULLIVAN of the Boston Police Department, who was Col. DOLAN's orderly in France. The YD Veterans Association was officially represented by National Vice President DANIEL A. JONES (M) of Worcester. Scores of other YD men were present. Since the war, Colonel has been prominent in veteran activities, and was organizer of Fitchburg Post No. 10, American Legion, as well as being one of the most prominent business men of the city. Full military ceremonies were observed at the funeral services. Interment was in St. Bernard's parish cemetery.

The YD Club of Boston lost the face of a familiar friend on December 5, when JOHN J. WALSH, formerly Supply Sergeant of C Company, 101st Infantry died suddenly at the Boston City Hospital, following an undiagnosed shock which rendered him unconscious until the last. The funeral services at St. Peter's Church, Dorchester, on Sunday, December 8, saw as large a gathering of YD friends as is often witnessed to pay tribute to one of the best known YD men in Boston. The Y.D. V.A. the YD Club of Boston, YD Post 290, A.L., and the 101st Veterans Association, in which he was sergeant-at-arms has lost a patient and tireless worker in "Old John" WALSH.

Captain EDWIN W. BOOTHBY, formerly bugler of E Infantry, 103rd Field Artillery, was burned to death in the fire which destroyed the officers' quarters in the C.C.C. camp at Waterbury, Vermont. His death is mourned by a host of friends.

JOHN MCMANN, formerly of I Co., 101st Infantry, died at the Boston City Hospital on January 2.

BERNARD O. O'BRIEN, formerly of E Company, 103rd Infantry, was found dead in the farmhouse in Springfield, Vermont, where he was living alone, on December 28. Wounded and gassed in July, 1918, O'Brien had never been well since that time. Authorities declared the death due to suicide.

SWEN KARSBERG, formerly of C Company, 104th Infantry, died of meningitis at the Rutland Veterans Hospital on December 21. He was buried in North Attleboro, Mass. The YD Club of Worcester (CH), which makes it an annual custom to present a paid-up membership card each Christmas to all YD veterans in Rutland Hospital, presented the card to his nearest relatives, together with a letter of sympathy.

ROBERT DAVIS, formerly 1st Sergeant of D Company, and Master Engineer, Hq. Co., 101st Engineers died at his home, 8 Essex Rd., Milton, Mass., on December 10. (See D Company, 101st Engineer column).

HAGOP BESHIRIAN, formerly of F Company, 104th Infantry, died at the Veterans Hospital, Sawtelle, California.

JOHN F. HANNON, formerly of the 104th Infantry, died on January 3, 1936.

HAROLD D. DALTON, formerly of the 102nd Field Artillery, died as the result of burns incurred when his clothing accidentally caught fire as he was lighting a cigarette, in Lynn, Mass. See "In the YD Limelight."

GEORGE J. CARNEY, formerly of G Company, 104th Infantry, died in Springfield, Mass., on January 11. He had been a member of the YD Club of Springfield since August 4, 1933.

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LOCAL NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS OF THE YANKEE DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION

MAINE

Three YD embers till smoulder in Maine: ELLIOTT K. HALE (M) of Lisbon Falls, who still sends in news of the 103rd Infantry (see this issue) as he has for lo, these many years; RALPH BLUNT (M) Secretary of the practically defunct YD Club of Waterville, who at least answers letters; and the YD Club of Portland (CH) which has set the date of February 25 for a bang-up time upon which occasion they will entertain the National officers and get going again.

HALE (M) recommends "The Hale Plan" as he calls it, of holding "Town Meetings" in the various cities and towns as a measure of getting the men together. Two have already been held, one in Lewiston, one in Norway. It seems as if Elliott had struck upon an idea here which can be turned to good account in creating YD chapters later on, and the Y.D.V.A. can be sure that he always has the interest of the organization at heart.

BLUNT (M) writes from Waterville that it is hard to get men to support the Y.D.V.A. up there; sends a list of men in 20 towns who he feels should be contacted as key men.

What Maine needs is LEADERSHIP! loyal, intelligent, self-sacrificing LEADERSHIP! The YD spirit is no more dead in Maine than anywhere else. The boys simply want someone to FOLLOW. Is there no hand to take the helm?

YD CLUB OF PORTLAND (CH)

On February 25, the YD Club of Portland will act as host to the National officers of the Y.D.V.A. upon the occasion of their annual visit. Portland always has done things up brown (remember the 1932 Convention?), and this is expected to be no exception.

YD CLUB OF MANCHESTER, N. H. (CH)

December 11 was a gala night at the YD Club of Manchester, about 75 men turning out to attend the National officers annual visit. Officers who spoke included President LEN MALONEY (M), Treasurer LEA REDFIELD (M), Secretary PHIL SANBORN (M), V.P. BILL SAYERS (M), and Americanization Officer ROYAL K. HAYES (M). Several prominent citizens of Manchester and officers of other veteran organizations also addressed the meeting, which was presided over by President WALTER J. BOARDMAN (M). Each of the National officers stressed the importance of building up a larger membership in the Chapter and in the organization as a whole.

A fine luncheon and a program of first class entertainment completed a most enjoyable evening.

YD CLUB OF NASHUA (CH)

Sorry to have missed the meeting on November 21, and thanks for the account in DOINGS. Will have some dues for you soon.

EARL "BILL" WILLIAMS (M) (103rd. F.A.) and Mrs. Williams lost their daughter Jane during November. DIAMOND NADEAU (103rd Inf.) is to hear the wedding bells soon. FAHEY (102nd F.A.) of Lowell is manager of our three theatres here. JOHN P. DIGGINS, D.S.O. (103rd Inf.), is still with N. E. T. & T. Co. at Dover: NAP PELLETIER (Hq., 101st Engrs.) is at Nashua Mfg. Co., with no little Naps as yet; Lt. HARRY EMERSON (103rd Inf.) has charge of the State Guard armory; Calling BENJAMIN ROWE (C Co., 101st Engrs.) —drop me a line, Ben, old man. EDDIE HODGE (103rd Inf.) is one of our local plumbers.

Why don't all N. E. states go out after YD auto number plates: Maine and Conn. have 'em. We're going after it here in N. H.

—HARRY J. S. AINSCOW (M)
(101st Engrs.)

24 Spring St.,
Nashua, N. H.

YD CLUB OF RUTLAND, VT. (CH)

Thursday, December 5, was a high old time in Rutland. The biggest meeting to date of the Rutland Chapter acted as host to the National officers of the Y.D.V.A., in the persons of President LEN MALONEY (M), Secretary PHIL SANBORN (M), and State V.P. LES WILSON (M) of Montpelier.

First of all there were eats, served up by "MUGGSY" DOOLAN (M) in full K.P. dress, and although they have deer up round Rutland that taste surprisingly like ham, it was GOOD ham, and a good feed all the way through.

President MARSH WHELDEN (M) opened the

meeting, but turned the job of introducing the speakers over to PHIL SANBORN (M), who, although new at that particular assignment, was able, thanks to sufficient liquid inspiration absorbed during the long, snowy afternoon in the hotel room with "SLOPSY" COCKLIN (M) and other kindred spirits, to perform with eclat and aplomb (whatever that means).

LEN MALONEY (M) gave 'em the works on the importance of a big, strong Y.D.V.A., and acting as the germ from which other Vermont chapters must grow. LES WILSON (M) promised to get things started in other parts of the state.

President WHELDEN (M) reported steady growth both in numbers and in general interest. The motion picture reels of the New Haven Convention were shown and enthusiastically applauded. All vowed to be in Worcester when June rolls around.

Sec. ARTHUR FOOTE (M) writes: "Y.D.V.A. has been sold in Rutland County. Just so long as DOINGS stacks up to recent issues and the Ass'n can conjur up such leaders as LEN MALONEY (M), you will have an outpost in Rutland."

YD CLUB OF BOSTON (CH)

Sometimes the biggest stories are told in the fewest words. Without comment, but with considerable joy and elation, YANKEE DOINGS presents the following summarized annual report of Treasurer JOE GALLIGAN (M).

COMPARATIVE PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT
For Years Ending Dec. 31, 1934 and 1935

	1935	1934
INCOME	$10,794.56	$8,447.56
EXPENSE	8,465.39	8,731.66
NET LOSS (1934)		284.10
NET PROFIT 1935	2,329.17	

BALANCE SHEET
as of Dec. 31, 1935

Assets	1935
Cash in Bank	$1,012.65
Petty Cash Fund	10.00
Cash Register Fund	10.00
Accounts Receivable	417.62
Rents Receivable	559.31
Insurance Unexpired	176.97
Furniture & Fixtures (Nominal Value)	1.00
Merchandise Inventory	364.89
Prepaid Expenses	33.36
Total Assets	$2,585.80

Liabilities and Net Worth	
Reserve for:	
Membership Dues Prepaid	$ 9.00
Rent Prepaid	400.00
Expenses Accrued	141.83
Total Liabilities	$ 550.83
Net Worth	2,034.97
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	$2,585.80

—JOSEPH J. GALLIGAN (M)
Treasurer.

ANNUAL MILITARY BALL

Rather late now for a detailed story of the Third Annual Military Ball, held at the Copley Plaza on December 7. Suffice to say that the brevity of this dispatch should in no way detract from the splendid success of the occasion. "Bigger and better than last year" they all said, and so it was. If proof is needed, the figures will provide it, for not only were more people there, but the profit realized slightly exceeded that from the 1934 ball. Perhaps as pleasing a feature as any were the large delegations from other cities: Worcester, Lynn, Brockton and even far away Manchester and Springfield. All credit to Chm. AL BARNARD (M) and his committee of co-workers—a committee that really functioned. The grand march, a feature for the first time this year, filling the entire floor space of the beautifully decorated ball room, provided a spectacle of which any organization in the world would be proud.

DECEMBER SMOKER

The high water mark in monthly smokers, so far as an absorbing topic, an eloquent speaker, and splendid maps and illustrations are concerned, was reached on December 19, when the Club had, as its guest speaker, Col. Charles Wellington Furlong, his topic, "Ethiopia in World Affairs". The largest attendance in months attested the colonel's popularity and praise of the lecture was high and well deserved.

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCES

For the first time, the YD Club of Boston this year had its own Christmas Remembrance Committee, and distributed its own gifts to comrades in hospitals. One hundred and thirty-six packages of cigarettes were distributed as follows: Rutland 35, Bedford 61, Chelsea Soldiers Home and Hospital 27, Chelsea Naval 10, Mattapan 1, Foxboro 2. Through the gift of Mr. Henry Finch, YD men in hospitals were provided with free Christmas cards to mail to their friends. The Boston advertising agency of "Old Golds" contributed 8 cartons of cigarettes. YD Squadron, Sons of the Legion, co-operated with the YD Club in this work, on their own request. The Club

Committee: Joe Galligan (M) Chm., Watts (LM), Taylor (M), Riley (M), Love, O'Donnell, Whelan (M), O'Neill (M), Hartnett, Simmons (M), Bangs, Maj. W. J. McCarthy (M), Trackman (M), Regan (M) and Kelleher (M).

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The following resident members of the Club have been designated by the Board of Governors as candidates for election to the Nominating Committee, election to be held on January 23:

Vincent C. Breen (M) (101st Inf.); L. H. Redfield (M) (101st Engrs.); Edward J. Chisholm (M) (104th Inf.); Benjamin James (M) (101st F.A.); Kenneth Poulton (M) (101st Sig. Batt.).

YD CLUB OF BROCKTON (CH)

The women folks conducted the usual Christmas Party for all YD kids on the Sunday before Christmas with an attendance of 110, 53 of them being kids young enough to be remembered by the Club Santa Claus. Our genial Secretary, Henry Beaudreau (M) acted as Kris.

The Club with their ladies enjoyed an Italian Supper the last Saturday of December. Prof. Tony Porazzo (104th Inf.) poured the spaghetti.

At the January meeting a nominating committee was appointed to bring in a complete slate for an election of officers.

A membership drive is being started this month to take advantage of the bargain price now in effect with John Simpson (M) membership secretary. An anniversary dinner will be served to celebrate the entrance of the division into the lines about Feb. 1st.

—H. B. (M)

YD CLUB OF LOWELL (CH)

Biggest news in the YD circuit this month comes from Lowell, Massachusetts. Starting from scratch the first of December, granted a charter with 16 members on December 2, the Lowell Chapter as this goes to press, has no less than 58 members paid up to April 1, 1937!

Prime mover and organizer of the Chapter is Doran S. Lyons (LM) (Hq. Co., 101st Inf.) of the firm of Kidder Peabody (Lowell office). With the support of his old side-kicks P.P. Bill Blake (M) and V.P. Charlie Dailey (M), Doran has been going places, and Doings hereby salutes him. He has also had the support of such old YD stand-by's as P.P. Col. Charlie Stevens (LM), Willard Symmes (LM), Judge John C. Leggat (M), Roland Black (M), Royal K. Hayes (M), Wallace Duncan (M) and others.

With all its 58 members (which, like as not, will be 100 by the time you are reading this) the Chapter is so young that it hasn't even any officers of record as this goes to press.

Lowell shows what happens when ONE MAN goes DETERMINEDLY TO WORK! A voice in the wilderness cries to "every New England village and farm": "Go thou and do likewise."

We'll tell you more about Lowell.

YD CLUB OF LYNN (CH)

Annual Christmas party for all YD kids held at Doc Crowell's (M) house in Nahant on December 22; sponsored by Club auxiliary; Leon Varnam (M) as Santa and Robert Crowell as Santason; 75 kids present, each receiving a present and a box of candy; ice cream served by the hostess, Mrs. Crowell; Ralph Merritt (M) put on movies of Krazy Kat, Mickey Mouse, Charlie Chaplain, and did the kids enjoy 'em. Sixty "big" kids also horned in on the ice cream.

"Chateau Thierry Night", December 26, our second monthly smoker huge success. Speaker Wilbur Broyderick, nine years a resident of India. Doucette (M) acted as toastmaster; Ralph Merritt (M) put on movies. Next smoker, January 28, St. Mihiel night—come on down and join us for a good time.

The Drill Team participated in the dedication of the World War Memorial in Swampscott on December 2, and got their picture in a three column spread in the Boston Post. Also did its stuff at the annual Open House of the Lynn Y.M.C.A. on New Year's night.

—"Mussolini" (M)

YD CLUB OF NEW BEDFORD (CH)

New Bedford Chapter, Y.D.V.A. got off on the right foot with about as bang-up a time as the Whale City has ever seen on the evening of Friday, December 13; the occasion being the formal presentation of their charter as a Chapter of the Y.D.V.A., and the installation of the Chapter officers.

Following a dinner, attended by many of New Bedford's prominent citizens, the charter was presented with prescribed ceremonies by Past National President C. Bird Keach (M) of Providence, R. I. P.P. Keach (M) also acted as installing officer in inducting the first officers of the new Chapter into office, assisted by V.P. Win Lloyd (M) as sergeant-at-arms. Following somewhat the form of the regular ritual, Bird Keach (M), digressed at points to emphasize in his own words the meanings, purpose and hopes of the Y.D.V.A., his words receiving the rapt attention of the members.

The officers installed were: President, James J. McGuinn (M); Vice President, William Dres-

NER (M); Secretary, JAMES McQUADE (M); Treasurer, EDWIN P. ASHWORTH (M); Chaplain, CLARENCE MAY (M); Sgt. at Arms, JOHN HYLAND (M).

Mayor Ashley was represented by Alderman John A. Stitt, Major in the 55th C.A.C. in France during the war. Major Harold Winslow was toastmaster. President McGUINN (M) in his address, emphasized that the Chapter is formed not to ask for things, but to render service to the city and the nation. He besought every eligible man to join. A legation from the YD Club of Worcester (CH), headed by Pres. CLYDE ELLIOTT (M) and Sec. TED NOYES (M) attended the meeting, and told of Convention plans.

At the January 13 meeting, Lt. JIM HUGHES (104th Inf.) in charge of West Bridgewater barracks will talk on the work of the State Police.

The Chapter plans to give each man a complete business directory of the chapter membership—a splendid idea! In sending out a questionnaire to attain this end, Pres. McGUINN (M) says:

In the spirit of mutual helpfulness, we hope to place in the hands of each member of the New Bedford Chapter, a list of members of this chapter as of April 1, 1936.

We hope to know one another just a little better; we hope that members will use this list and help one another, whether that help be in patronizing a business man who is giving a member employment, patronizing a member who is in business for himself, or helping one who is unemployed to find work for which he is fitted.

YD CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD (CH)

Regular meetings, 1st and 3rd Mondays. Boxes of assorted gifts, including neckties, candy, apples, oranges, peanuts, cigarettes, handkerchiefs, and writing-paper were distributed to YD patients at Rutland and Leeds Veterans hospitals by the Club on November 29, committee of Mr. and Mrs. ROSWELL PATCH (M), Mr. and Mrs. ED MALEY, Mr. and Mrs. HENRY ROUX (M), JULIAN MARTINDALE (M), BEN JOHNSON (M) and Mrs. Colwell.

BOB BEACH (M) and JOHN LOWE (M) are fire fighters and we hope to get their Top Kick KEN MUNYAN in the Chapter soon. Capt. ED STROMWALL is Ass't Custodian of our $4,000,000 municipal group. Doc LARROW (M) is in business for himself as an optician; P.P. ANDY BIRNIE has quit Conn. and come home to roost. (He and "the-lowest-of-the LOWES" claim that bucking Ford at the New Haven Convention rode swell).

All YD Chapters who want to run a smoker and raise money, write to BEN JOHNSON (M), 102 Acushnet Ave., Springfield. We have "the means". The Auxiliary ran a kiddies Christmas Party on December 20, in Memorial Hall: the Chapter donated $10.00. It was a great success, gifts for kids and grown-ups too.

Our membership, like the old gray mare, "ain't what she ought to be". Give this copy to a prospect, and SIGN HIM UP.

On January 25, the Club plans to do itself proud in entertaining the National officers of the Y.D.V.A. on their annual visit. A big evening is looked forward to, with P.P. ANDY BIRNIE as Chm. of arrangements. We'll tell you more about it afterwards.

—TOM CROKAN (M)

YD CLUB OF HOLYOKE (CH)

Gen. EDMUND SLATE (M) has been appointed marshal of the Police Department of Holyoke. His candidacy for the appointment was strongly urged by the Holyoke Chapter.

YD CLUB OF WORCESTER (CH)

Worcester Chapter is working hand in glove with the Convention Committee in that city, and holding regular, finely attended meetings.

At the December 12 meeting, the speaker was TOM WHITE (M) erstwhile of New Haven, and an experienced hand in matters of running a veteran convention. DOINGS is somewhat handicapped by seldom receiving any news of what takes place at the meetings of the Worcester Club. Gosh knows poor old TED NOYES (M) can't do everything, and with the Secretaryship of the Conv. Comm. on his hands, it seems only fair that someone else should act as DOINGS correspondent for the Chapter news.

The Club presented 35 YD men at Rutland with remembrances at Christmas time, as well as presenting each with a paid-up membership card in the YD Club of Worcester.

The YD Club of Worcester is to hold a Military Ball at the Bancroft Hotel during Easter week (i.e., the week after Easter). They ask that members of other Chapters plan to attend and enjoy a fine time. The price will be $1.00 per person.

YD CLUB OF PLYMOUTH, MASS.

On Tuesday, December 17, a meeting was called in the Plymouth Armory by Colonel ANDY CARR (M) for the purpose of organizing a YD Chapter in the birthplace of New England. Out of about 20 or 25 present, nine signed up, one less than necessary for the granting of a charter; but have no fear, the ball has started rolling and Plymouth will be in under the wire.

National officers who addressed the meeting were: Pres. LEN MALONEY (M), P.P. BILL BLAKE (M),

V.P. CHARLIE DAILEY (M) and WIN LLOYD (M), Treasurer LEA REDFIELD (M), Secretary PHIL SANBORN (M) and the Secretary of the Worcester Convention Committee, TED NOYES (M). (With all that artillery, only nine casualties; gee, what a cautious bunch!)

You'll hear more of Plymouth.

CONNECTICUT

STATE DEPARTMENT

Regular monthly meeting, Waterbury, Sunday, December 8. THE BEST YET! How's this? Attendance, 101; National officers present, 4, Pres. LEN MALONEY (M), Treas. LEA REDFIELD (M), V.P. AL HERMAN (M), Historian RAY KINCAID (M); 7 out of 8 Department officers present; all 16 Chapters represented; 13 out of 16 Chapter Presidents present! Try and beat that for a functioning organization, some of you other states. Hat's off to the live wire that heads the Department of Connecticut, AL HERMAN (M).

Colonel "MACHINE GUN" PARKER (M) was a guest of the meeting, also Past V.P. BARNEY CLARKE (LM).

On the recommendation of a Uniform Committee, a regular uniform for the Department of Connecticut was adopted. (See below.) State By-Laws were adopted. The Waterbury Chapter loaned the Department $100.00 secured by the names of 50 men.

Following is the attendance thus far at Department meetings: September, New Haven, 38; Bridgeport, October, 86; Bristol, November, 91; Waterbury, December, 101. Next is Middletown, January 12.

Other New England states MUST have State Departments if they are going to amount to a pinch of snuff. Connecticut has proved that.

Uniforms

The state department has officially adopted a uniform consisting of navy blue blouse, French blue trousers, the cap to be decided upon at a later date. Of course the uniform will be adorned with all the usual appurtenances and regalia necessary to complete. But as it is, it is a sure thing that Connecticut will stand out and shine, as one of the leaders at the Worcester Convention.

Wouldn't it be a wonderful thing if, at the Worcester Convention, every State in the Union, wherein there exists a YD chapter, could appear in uniform.

Resolution

The resolution, adopted by the Dep't. of Conn., Y.D.V.A. urging that veterans be given preference on all projects constructed with funds appropriated under the Federal Relief Administration, has already brought repercussions from Washington. A letter from Senator Francis Maloney of Connecticut encloses a letter from Mr. Horatio Hacket, Ass't. Administrator, in which he professes willingness to discuss the matter further.

MONT SEC. CHAPTER, BRISTOL, CONN. (CH)

We are trying to raise some money for the Chapter by running Bingo games, every Thursday night. To date we are a little ahead of the game, and with the support of every member, we stand to make some real money.

Funny thing, after any project succeeds, how those who have done the least will crow, "Well, I guess we put that over!" The bunch of old faithfuls who done the work so far are: BILL THOMSON (M), TOM SCOTT (M), DUFF LAMSON (M), RAY KINCAID (M), ART NELSON (M), HENRY GOULD (M), RALPH FOX (M), LOREN WHITE (M), FRED HYDE (M), VIN LABRIOLA (M), FRANK ALIANO (M), ALBERT BLOCK (M), AMIEL ALLWARD (M), BOB PETERSON (M), WILLIAM BAILEY (M), ARVID ANDERSON (M) and HENRY COTE (M).

We need the help of the rest of the membership. Show up on Thursday nights. Ticket are only 40 cents.

—R. B. K. (M)

HARTFORD CHAPTER (CH)

Things have lagged a bit during the holidays, but the membership campaign is now on with a bang. Armed with 200 copies of YANKEE DOINGS and application blanks, Pres. ED MILLER (M) is sending a personal letter to every known YD man in Hartford not already a member of the Chapter. He needs the loyal help, of every member to put the drive over.

Thursday, Jan. 16, will be "Old Fashioned Night"; the meeting will be at Rau-Locke Post ED DION (M) one of our members is Commander of the Post, and extends a cordial welcome.

Plans for another big time at the Armory in February are not yet entirely completed. Get behind your national, state and local officers: the organization will be just as big as you make it.

Worcester Convention is only a few months away: talk it up, and sign up every buddy you meet.

—W. L. S. (M)

MIDDLESEX COUNTY CHAPTER (CH)

New faces at every meeting, dues still slow but we have faith we will fulfill our promise of a doubled membership this year. What sort of

hen-pecked husbands are you birds that can't get even two nights a month off with your buddies. You were hard-boiled in '17 but pretty tame now, and to think that dames did it! Get 'em interested themselves in forming and auxiliary. Try it once.

Meeting nights changed to 1st and 3rd Fridays; D.V.A. Hall, donated free by Shea-Cederholm-Clark Chapter. BILL STARK (M), first selectman of Chester has signed up; should mean better contact with that end of county.

Pres. HARRY BECKER (M) has resigned office due to business reasons, the writer was elected to fill his place, and, as AL HERMAN (M) was present at the meeting, was at once inducted into office. CLAUDE BLENUS (M) is now Secretary. ANDY LOHNEISS (M), Treasurer, says if the Chapter will raise some money, he'll have something to do. Money has been the scarcest thing we've had.

AL HERMAN (M) is fast becoming the No. 1 YD orator of these parts; where's BILL THOMPSON (M) of Bristol lately? Let's hear from GEORGE CANNON (M) (C Co.) somewhere in California. Had you heard that Capt. HINES died about a year ago?

—JOSEPH C. KOLINSKY (M)
President

YD CLUB OF NEW BRITAIN (CH)

Over 100 YD men, members of the local and nearby Chapters, attended the reception on December 12, to National President LEN MALONEY (M) and Col. "MACHINE GUN" PARKER (M), establishing a high water mark in the short history of the Club here. President GERRY CREAN (M) occupied the chair and introduced the speakers.

Col. PARKER (M) stated that as a member of the military science board he has knowledge that the showing made by the 26th Division in France had much to do with the re-shaping of the Nation's military policy after the war, whereby a small standing army would be supplemented in time of war with a large citizen soldiery. He also advocated a bonus plan whereby the cost would be met by the issuance of bonds, and saluted President Roosevelt for refusing to sign a measure which provided no way of raising the money.

President MALONEY (M) urged a united Yankee Division in peace as in war, stating that the government has been indulgent during the depression toward seditious elements in the population, but that the time was coming when it would "crack down", and the veteran would be called upon to wipe out the "Red menace".

Other speakers included: V.P. AL HERMAN (M), State Sec. BILL ADAMS (M), Pres. JOHN R. FEEGEL (M) of Meriden Chapter; BARNEY T. CLARKE (LM), Mayor David L. Dunn and former Mayor George A. Quigley.

Following the meeting, a program of entertainment was provided under the direction of ANTHONY PECHOUT (M) and HENRY NIMRO (M).

—G. C. (M)

NEW HAVEN CHAPTER (CH)

The race is on between Hartford and New Haven for the biggest YD membership by Convention time. On New Year's day, New Haven was in the lead with 102.

PETE GEENTY (M) wishes it known that he is still in the trucking business, and doing pretty well, thank you. If you want any local or long distance trucking done, see Pete, at 97 Burr Street, Morris Cove.

New Haven Chapter's new policy of making every other meeting in the month a social affair was continued successfully on December 4, with an "Irish Night". Thanks to the fraus of Comrades MIKE MCDERMOTT (M) and LEN MALONEY (M) a tasty brisket of corned beef was prepared along with spuds and cabbage. And did the boys go for the Irish Turkey in a large manner? A keg of beer also passed into oblivion. ALEC FLYNN's (M) "Irish story contest" was won by LEN MALONEY (M). Len, who is entirely devoid of hair on his scalp, won a permanent wave for telling the most risque yarn. The contest was keen and resolved itself into a race between FRANK LEE (M), HUGH FOSTER (M), PETER GEENTY (M) and Len. Entertainment provided by ANDY QUIRK included Jerry Fryer, harmonica player.

On December 17th the regular meeting was held. In the absense of President JIM HAGGERTY (M), Vice President RALPH L. WALKER (M) presided. JAMES EATON, (A Batt., 103rd F.A.) of New London, was the guest of the Chapter. He was given an application blank and promised to join the recently formed New London County Chapter at Norwich.

John Dillon reporting for the Timmy Ahearn Memorial Committee said the proposed memorial would cost about $750. He said about $1,000 was needed to cover dedication expense etc. It was voted to authorized the Committee to proceed to raise the necessary funds.

ALEC FLYNN (M) gave tentative plans of the committee for raising a uniform fund. About $50 in merchandise has already been donated by merchants. This will be raffled off and members accredited with the full amount of their ticket sales.

The meeting night was changed to the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Plans for "German Night" to be held on January 9th were announced as complete. FRED SABINE (M) will cook the pigs knuckles and sauerkraut.

—F. P. L. (M)

YD CLUB OF NORWALK (CH)

A Christmas party for the kiddos was held by the Chapter and Auxiliary on Saturday, December 21. Santa Claus, with bulging pack, and jingling bells, arrived with toys, books and candy for young and old. Then, while the youngsters sat down to a well-filled table, the grown-ups had a feed too.

In the turkey raffle which followed, the turkey went to a Shelton ticket holder, but the duck went to a Norwalk man. A five pound box of candy, donated by SAM POLLEY (LM) brought a high bid of $5.50. Altogether the books showed a profit of $60.75, and much of the credit must go to Mrs William Whitney and Mrs. William Frank of the Auxiliary.

—W. P. A. (M)

WALLINGFORD CHAPTER (CH)

Thursday, Nov. 11th, it was decided to hold a raffle of six turkeys for Xmas. ERNIE BORGHI was appointed chairman of the committee. It was then voted to hold only one meeting per month, the 2nd Tues. of each month being decided upon.

Saturday, December 21st, we all met at the appointed place set for the drawing of the six turkeys, and after a pleasant evening, we called upon two small boys to pull out the numbers. The winners were as follows: No. 1545 Bernice (Smith), No. 1324 ED MILLER (M) (Pres. Htfd. YD), No. 864 Blank (Art Roberge), No. 1795 Blank (Mike Gammerino), No. 168 BOB DELEHANTY (one of the YD Boys) and No. 987 Spot-my-bulldog (WM. MCGUIRE), all Wallingford people, except ED MILLER (M). Well we got our start, we made about $65.00, and that's something.

—WM. LORING (M)
Secretary.

YD CLUB OF NORWICH, CONN.

On the evening of December 12, Treas. LEA REDFIELD (M) and Sec. PHIL SANBORN (M) pinch hit for Pres. LEN MALONEY (M) in Norwich, Conn., for the purpose of forming a chapter there. At a meeting called by THOMAS "ROCKS" DELANEY (M) just seven men showed up. But Norwich had no outfit in the YD and only has those who happened to enlist from there, or who have moved there since.

Four of the seven signed up, and "Rocks" promised to dig out the necessary six more to get a charter. He'll do it, too.

YD CLUB OF CHICAGO (CH)

The annual visit of President LEN MALONEY (M) to our Chapter on January 14, is the big "coming event". We expect to have a record turnout to welcome him. Three events are planned: a luncheon at the Union League Club at 12:30, dinner at the Illinois Athletic Club at 6:30; business meeting at 8:00. Another feature we are all anticipating is the forthcoming appearance here of the stage star OSGOOD PERKINS (101st F. Sig. Bn.). We hope to at least have him guest at a dinner before theatre time.

On December 10, Lester Bentson, chairman of welfare comm., Dept. of Illinois, A.L., and for many years in charge of welfare at Hines Hospital, told us more about veterans laws, rules and regulations than any of us had ever known before.

Although its rather stale news now, the Annual Reunion Dance on November 9, at the Knickerbocker Hotel, was a grand success. One hundred and eight YD men and friends with their ladies quite filled our own private ball room until the small hours. The committee was: P.P. WALTER D. CROWELL (M) Chm.; E. D. O'CONNELL (M); R. ALLEN USHER (M); THURSTON B. WILSON (M); J. H. MCCANN (M); and JOHN J. LEE (M). The latter with W. A. BRADY (M) furnished the souvenir program with a picture of General EDWARDS on the cover.

HENRY F. SIKORSKI (Hq., 102nd. Inf.), last seen at our first banquet in 1933, showed up with a party of eight at the dance, and signed up as a member.

At the December 10 meeting a resolution was passed endorsing the status of the American Olympic Committee for full participation of the U. S. in the 1936 games in Germany. Presented by Sec. CLARENCE A. BUSH (M), publicity director of ACC in its campaign to raise $350,000.

—C. A. B. (M)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER (CH)

NOVEMBER

Meeting on the 6th saw three "first-timers": JOHN H. FAHEY (101st Inf.), GEORGE O. POWERS (B Co., 103rd M.G. Bn.), H. P. BARTLETT (Sup. Co., 101st Inf.) Meeting adjourned out of respect to HAGOP BESHIRIAN (F Co., 104th Inf.), formerly of Amesbury, Mass., who recently died at the Veterans Hospital in Sawtelle, after an illness of many months.

Sunday, November 10: Participated with other combat divisions in Armistice Services at Third Presbyterian Church.

Monday, Armistice Day: Marched as a YD unit in biggest Armistice Day parade yet held here. President BRADLEY (M) led the detachment; colors were carried by CHARLIE OLSEN and ARSHAK AMERIKHANIAN. Our old friend BEN CRAWFORD (San. Tr. & 101st Engrs.), with a fine growth of chin whiskers, showed up to step off with us.

Many attended the "SMU"-"UCLA" game at the Coliseum in the afternoon. The Mardi Gras and street dancing in the evening saw a generous sprinkling of YD.

Wednesday, November 13, members brought their families to see ten reels of Signal Corps pictures of the Yankee Division. These were disappointing as they showed little or no action. Who has the ones showing action, and how are they labelled? We want to get 'em.

November 20: Ed Wall was elected 2nd V.P., and George Cannon (M), John Fox (M) and Pete Danforth, Trustees. We never had these officers before. Final report of profit of $72.31 on our last bean supper. A visitor was Stewart Atkins (Hq. Co., 101st Inf.) of Wilmington, Dela.

DECEMBER

On December 18, the Annual Christmas Party was held with a large crowd. P.P. Pete Dresser (M) was presented with a copy of Dan Strickland's "Connecticut Fights", the history of the 102nd Inf. Pete, on request, told of the time he spent as a prisoner after being captured at Seicheprey.

Nick Harris, radio entertainer for 14 years, put on some fine vocal and instrumental numbers. Then, for the youngsters, Mr. Harris told the Christmas true story of Jimmy the Rat. George Powers did some legerdemain stunts that left us wondering why his outfit didn't always have eggs for breakfast. Packages of candy were distributed to all under 16. Ice cream, cookies, chocolate and coffee, with some fine cigars from P.P. John Fox (M) concluded a pleasant evening.

—G. K. M. (M)

NEW YORK CHAPTER (CH)

It is a fact. New York City has finally entered the Y.D.V.A. family. An unpretentious beginning, it is true, but mindful of the adage that big oaks from little acorns grow—WATCH NEW YORK.

Formal application for a New York chapter of the Y.D.V.A. grew out of a dinner of YD men staged at the Columbia University Club on December 3, through the efforts of Russell Livermore (M) and Ted Schoonmaker (M). Russ and Ted, it seems have been busily engaged in compiling list of YD men in that section. Jim Hurley (M) has been doing ditto. Now both lists will be combined and notices sent to all whose names appear thereon, to meet at the 77th Division Clubhouse.

At the Columbia Club affair, National President Len Maloney (M) put in an unscheduled appearance and, aided and abetted by Ben Pitman (M) and George Robinson (M), all present were signed up. Ben belongs to the Stamford Chapter and George to the Norwalk Chapter. Paul T. Colborn (M), (Hdq., 104th Inf.), who was also present signed up for the Norwalk chapter.

Ted Schoonmaker (M) acted as chairman and impromptu speeches and stories were told by about everyone present. Dr. Harold F. Parker (M) (104th Inf.), now at the Castle Point Veterans Hospital, William E. Barnett (M) (D Co., 104th Inf.), Hugh O'Connor (M) (B Co., 103rd F.A.), Ted Schoonmaker (M), (D Co., 104th Inf.), Ben Pitman (M) (Div. Hqr.) and Jim Hurley (M) (102nd Inf.), were all heard from Hurley vied with Robert B. Dickson (M) (B Co., 101st Eng. and QMC) in varied version of the whaler that left the port of "New Beddiford". The Rev. Allen Evans (M) (Chaplain 104th Inf.) gave a graphic description of present day England, Holland, Belgium and France. He reports our YD Memorial Church at Belleau as a sight to behold.

Others who signed the application for the charter were: Silas Clark (M) (102nd Inf.), John Rachek (M) (G Co., 104th Inf.), Ralph T. Nevin (M) (D Co., 104th Inf.), Henry Van Hala (M) (103rd M.G. Bn.), Fred D. Brown (M) (L Co., 102nd Inf.), John W. Morgan (M), Paul R. McCampbell (M), William M. Leonard (M).

—L. J. M. (M)

YD CLUB OF WASHINGTON (CH)

Ye Ed. will try to boil down the 7 pencilled sheets sent in by Sec. Levi St. Peter (M) and the closely written typed pages sent by Pres. Paul Hutchins (M) into available space.

A dance was held at "The Hayloft", an old coachman's house built in 1857 and now a night club, on December 3, under the direction of Paul Hutchins (M). A few new faces and all the old regulars were seen, and a great time enjoyed. A newcomer, E. W. Williams, and Nate Golden (M) recognized something familiar about the other. Seems they were both in the same platoon, and had not met since the day Nate was evacuated with a shattered leg, up north of Verdun. Dan Campbell (HM) was on hand as usual, a loyal worker in all veteran affairs.

On New Year's Day, the Club and Clarence R. Edwards Post, V.F.W. held a joint observance of General Edwards's birthday at his burial spot in Arlington National Cemetery, Commander Edgar R. Baker of the Post delivered the eulogy and Dave Herman (M) read the services for departed comrades. For the Club, President Hutchins (M) placed a wreath on the grave, and Taps was blown by Sgt. Witchey of Fort Myers, who sounded taps for the Unknown Soldier at the time the body was brought to Arlington. General H. G. Learned, an old friend of General Edwards,

and on his staff in Boston, was at the grave. At a meeting after the services, a nominating committee was appointed.

A membership campaign was mapped out, whereby about 15 of the most active men will be named squad leaders to: (1) sign up those not already members; (2) see that they turn out for meetings; and (3) keep them advised on all YD affairs, national and local. HUTCHINS (M), QUEENIN (M) and CARSON (M) hatched this plan, and we hope it will work.

The "Annual Shindig", the big event in our YD year here, will be held in the National Press Club on February 11. The entire New England Congressional delegation and all the National officers of the Y.D.V.A. are being invited.

—L. J. S. (M)

101ST INFANTRY ITEMS

K COMPANY

Following officers of K Company were installed in V.F.W. Hall, Clinton, on December 7: Pres. MARTIN A. O'TOOLE; Vice Pres., JAMES A. MOHAN; Sec., JOHN F. O'MALLEY; Treas. GEORGE H. SCHOBERT (M); Executive Comm.; JAMES MINIGAN, PETER J. SCHOFIELD, THOMAS MAYBERRY; Trustees, WALTER GUTMAN, WILLIAM G. BAER. Installation was conducted by BILL HALL (L Co.) assisted by BILL LAWLOR (M) (L Co.), MIKE MOONEY (M) (I Co.), NICK FLEMING, and HENRY CHAPIN (M).

MIKE MOONEY (M) and HENRY CHAPIN (M) gave an illustrated talk showing scenes in several foreign lands. A fine show. Then refreshments and dancing and a general good time.

Observed at the party: "DOLLY" O'TOOLE, fatter than ever and just as funny; MARTY O'TOOLE and GEORGE O'MALLEY, both cops and good fellows to see when in trouble; GEORGE SCHOBERT (M), going places in the V.F.W.; JIM MOHAN, same old happy Jim.

Under the guidance of Y.D.V.A. Vice President CHARLIE DAILEY (M), we are going to try to form a YD Chapter here in Clinton.

BERNIE RASH, a YD man who lost a leg in France, can be found at the Square Deal Club. Drop in and say hello when going through Clinton.

—P. J. S.

103RD INFANTRY

Second Town Meeting of Liffol-le-Grand, norway, Maine, December 14, 30 present. A grand time. ALFRED DYER (M) (Mess. Sgt. D Co.) put on a swell chicken dinner. From longest distance: GILBERT MILLER and another—70 miles over icy road. "Mayor" HALE (M), put out of office for neglect of duty, was replaced by "Mayor" PERCY BENTON (M) of Portland. "Town Clerk" BILL ROACH (M) will collect all taxes, etc. Games and songs featured the evening; Capt. GUY SWEET acted as Moderator. Next Town Meeting will be in Portland on February 6. You better be there if you don't want to miss a good time.

FRANK JOCK (M) (A Co.) of Kezar Falls has, among his collection of souvenirs which he has had to house in a building of their own, the one and only copy of the History of A Company. He wrote it himself, including many maps, pictures, drawings, etc., all of which make it one of the most interesting company histories in existence.

Maine is again issuing YD auto number plates to YD men. They mean frequent meetings of old friends on the road.

ENGINEER ENTRIES

CAPERS OF C

On Saturday, January 18, C Company held its annual get-together at the YD Memorial Clubhouse, too late for this edition. NORMY CARTER (M) or BILL HARRIS (M) or HAROLD HEALD (M) should have some news of the party in the number.

DOING OF D

Some Christmas party for the sons and daughters of D Company! 143 kids from 2 months to 16 years old, including a pair of twins (and at that, we have another pair out in St. Louis); 70 dads and as many mothers. They began to arrive at the Armory at 2:00 P.M., and at three o'clock we had five acts of vaudeville and three reels of a special Christmas comedy, run off by JOHN SULLIVAN (M), and old "D" man, stage manager at the Met. Then Santa Claus and the tree; a present and a box of candy for each child; ice cream, cake and cocoa served by the ladies, God bless 'em. If you could have seen and heard the youngsters, every company in the Division would run a Christmas party. DENNY BRUNTON (M) and HENRY ROUX (M) and their families from Springfield; JERRY O'LEARY and his from Providence, others from New Hampshire and Connecticut. CURRY BARTLETT wrote from Maine he'll bring his next year; it will then be nine months old. (No, this isn't Walter Winchell's column.)

OSCAR MARCHAND and family have moved to Danville, Va.

OSCAR BOHLIN is hard at work pushing things through on the new YD Camp Ground on the Cape.

EDDIE WALKER (LM) made quite a hit with the ladies of Post 290 Auxiliary, helping them out at their rummage sale with the last couple of sales. Mrs. DAN KENNEY, President is a "D" lady. TOM AITCHISON is at Pondville Hospital: send him a card. Twenty-two D Company men attended the funeral of former Top Sergeant BOB DAVIS on December 13. Prior to his service in the 101st Engineers, he had served in the regular army in China and the Philippines.

Bridge and whist at the Armory on January 11; the proceeds to go to providing a D Company "time" at Worcester during the YD Convention next June.

—"P-NUT" (M)

ECHOES OF E

FRANK VIGON has been awarded service-connected disability compensation; BILL BUXTON (M), still at Rutland, has improved greatly; JAKE STAHL is Adjt. of Roslindale Post, A.L.; RALPH THOMAS (M) is Finance Officer of YD Post, A. L.; BILL CLEAVES and BILL CROSBY are on the Exec. Comm. of Wollaston Post. PERCE HILL broke his leg some time ago in a gravel pit; DON HANSON recently apprehended the culprit in a shooting incident in Maine; NEIL CHENEY is again at Newington, Ct., Hospital; CHARLIE HURTER (M) was badly injured in an auto accident in October; EDGAR WARD (M) has both legs paralyzed, and due partly to the efforts of "E" men, has had his compensation raised from 20% to 50%.

—R. M. E. (M)

FANCIES OF F

The "Second Friday" at the "club devkelder", 198 Huntington Ave., is seeing more and more F Company men attending each month. December 13 saw 16 present, twelve of whom were: REDFIELD (M), STRACHAN, MATTY HOWARD, CAMERON (M), PEIRCE (M), VAN BAEL, BAILEY (M), EMERSON, BARCLAY, DRISCOLL (M), PURDY (M) and POUTASSE (M). Didn't get the names of the other four and have forgotten who they were. Better make it a monthly habit.

On January 10, the attendance was augmented to 18, the best yet: HERRICK (M), JAMES, DRISCOLL (M), BAILEY (M), NELSON, REDFIELD (M), Ev McLAUGHLIN, McCOLL, PEIRCE (M), SANBORN (M), MATTY HOWARD, PURDY (M), POUTASSE (M), BARCLAY, EMERSON, TINK FORD (M), CHARLIE DAVIS (M), STRACHAN.

CHARLIE STEEGER is home from Newington Hospital, much improved in health, and would be glad to see any of the boys at his home, 5072 Washington St., West Roxbury.

REDFIELD (M) and SANBORN (M) on an official trip as officers of the Y.D.V.A. to Norwich, Conn., ran into HENRY PUKALLUS (M), who served a while with F Co., later with the Band. He signed up as a charter member of the new YD Norwich Chapter.

Hat's off to JIMMY CONNORS and Mrs. Connors: twins on January 7, a boy and a girl, making four of each now.

—P. N. S. (M)

101st AMMUNITION TRAIN

On November 22nd, I was tendered a reception and dinner at Brattleboro, by a group of alumni of the old outfit, and some members of other veteran organizations. Aside from the pride and pleasure, one feels at such a reunion, there was always a conscious appreciation of the fine, genuine hospitality, and homey atmosphere surrounding the occasion, for which the Vermonters are noted.

The festivities began with reception at the American Legion quarters, followed by an excellent dinner at Hotel Brooks, presided over by Sergeant Cadett, and attended by about forty veterans, and several other foremost citizens. There was a five piece orchestra which played the well remembered, and time honored war tunes with enthusiasm and efficiency, and included, which seemed to suggest an altogether unnecessary implication, "The Old Gray Mare Ain't What She Used To Be". Following the dinner the group adjourned to the Legion rooms where we had a pleasant hour of reminiscences, with an atmosphere of "Now It Can Be Told" prevailing, in spite of the presence of the wives, and the former "K O." Incidentally, it may be worthy of note that some of the escapades, divulged ostensibly for the first time with a confidence born of sixteen years of separation from the military service, had a familiar echo. Perhaps the "old man" was not entirely unaware of some of the adventures, but rather leaned toward the lenient, tolerant side, where youth had its fling, and viciousness was absent, in moments of leisure.

The value of these occasions in reawakening pride in a priceless heritage of war-time service is so apparent that it would seem that they should be made the basis of closer, and more frequent contact between veterans of the Yankee Division. There can be no better medium than the organization of local chapters of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, making available our splendid YANKEE DOINGS to two members; and Brattleboro, as well as other Vermont cities and towns, appears to be fruitful ground for membership activity. I trust that the membership "shock troops" of Vermont will take advantage of this opportunity.

—Colonel WILLIAM J. KEVILLE (LM)

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